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NAWBO selects Dr. Janis Shinkawa as one of three National Finalists for Woman Business Owner of the Year

(Ventura, CA) – The National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO) has announced the finalists for the 2017 Woman Business Owner of the Year Award. Among thousands of members, Dr. Janis Shinkawa, co-founder and medical director of Ohana Pet Hospital in Ventura, California rose to the top of the outstanding field along with two other national finalists, NAWBO members Kimberly Baeth of Golden Openings, Urbandale, Iowa and Kim Heathcott of Clarion Security, Memphis, Tennessee.

“NAWBO members set the bar high in all their endeavors. We look forward each year to recognizing a woman business owner that embodies the entrepreneurial spirit and continues to push the limits of what is possible,” said Kathy Warnick NAWBO National Chair. “NAWBO is proud to be the unified voice of all women business owners. The three women we recognize this year represent the diversity of industries and interests we support through NAWBO programs. Even though they come from different sectors of industry, their desire to build a thriving business and give back to others unites them and makes them worthy of distinction.”

“Our chapter is proud and excited that one of our members is a finalist for this prestigious award,” said Elaine Hollifield, NAWBO Ventura County President and owner of Hollifield Creative. “Dr. Jan and everyone at Ohana Pet Hospital have earned and deserve every accolade. They are wonderful role models for a successful business that contributes greatly to our community.” Dr. Shinkawa was nominated by NAWBO California Board Member and Past President, Ventura County Chapter Diane de Mailly of DDM Metering Systems.

The NAWBO National Woman Business Owner of the Year Award recognizes a NAWBO Member who excels at strategy, operations, finances, problem-solving, overcomes adversity and gives back to her community. NAWBO leadership will present the distinguished award during the Annual Awards Gala on October 17 in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The Awards Gala will conclude the National Women’s Business Conference - Together We Dare. For more information about NAWBO and the conference [CLICK HERE](#).

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About NAWBO

Founded in 1975, the National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO) is the unified voice of America's more than 9.1 million women-owned businesses representing the fastest growing segment of the economy. NAWBO is the only dues-based organization representing the interests of all women entrepreneurs across all industries. NAWBO develops programs that help navigate women entrepreneurs through the various stages of their business growth.

NAWBO Ventura County – The local Ventura County chapter of NAWBO is committed to strengthening the wealth creating capacity of its members while promoting economic development within the entrepreneurial Ventura County community. Additionally the local chapter focuses on creating innovative and effective change in the business culture, building strategic alliances and transforming public policy for the benefit of its members. www.nawbovc.org.